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SUBJ VISIT OF GDR DEPUTY FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER BEIL TO U.S.

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1. SCHMIED, USA DESK, GDR FOREIGN TRADE MINISTRY, TOLD MISSION OFFICERS ON SEPTEMBER 16 THAT STATE SECRETARY BEIL WOULD NOT VISIT U.S. IN MID-NOVEMBER. DECISION HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH NFTC ANNUAL CONVENTION, WHICH WAS CONSIDERED SUITABLE EVENT FOR BEIL, BUT APPARENTLY WAS DUE TO ADVICE FROM DOW CHEMICAL THAT IT WOULD BE MORE CONVENIENT IF BEIL CAME EARLY IN 1975. IT WAS ALSO FELT THAT IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE FOR BEIL TO DELAY VISIT TO WASHINGTON UNTIL EAST GERMANY EMBASSY WAS FUNCTIONING.

2. SCHMIED STATED BEIL NOW PLANNED TO VISIT U.S. SOMETIME DURING PERIOD JANUARY 18 - FEBRUARY 10, 1975 AND ASKED US TO INDICATE PREFERRED DATE FOR VISIT TO WASHINGTON. SCHMIED AGAIN EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE GDR ATTACHED TO BEIL HAVING SUITABLE SPEAKING PARTNERS. MISSION OFFICER RESPONDED THAT WASHINGTON WOULD PROBABLY BE UNABLE TO PROVIDE FIRM DATES THIS FAR IN ADVANCE, REPEATING THAT DEPARTMENT HAD AGREED TO ARRANGE APPOINTMENTS FOR BEIL "AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL."

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